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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/245,720 Confirmation No.: 5294  
Applicant : Bunichi SHOJI, et al.  
Filed : February 8, 1999  
TC/A.U. : 3635  
Examiner : Chi Nguyen  
Docket No. : 037227.47565  
Customer No. : 23911  
Title : A Truss Structure, Structural Members Thereof, and a  
Method of Manufacture Therefor

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision mailed May 17, 2004 of the Primary Examiner Rejecting claims 1, 2 and 5.

Applicant hereby submits the required filing fee of \$320.00 under 37 CFR 1.17 (E).

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper would be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any such fee or any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 05-1323, Docket No.: 037227.47565.

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